

# MNMM Fatal 2006-08

- Powered Haulage
- April 22, 2006 (Tennessee)
- Crushed Stone Operation
- Utility Operator
- 53 years old
- 7 years mining experience

# Overview

The victim was gathering wash down hoses to start washing material out from under the railroad scales. He tripped over the hoses and fell in front of the front-end loader that was traveling through the area.



# Root Cause

Management policies and controls were inadequate. Procedures were not in place requiring hoses to be removed and stored when not in use. Management failed to identify the tripping hazard that was created when hoses were lying in travelways and work areas. Procedures that prohibited miners from performing tasks in areas where mobile equipment was being operated were not established.

# Best Practices

- Before moving mobile equipment, be certain no one is in the intended path, sound the horn to warn unseen persons, and wait a few moments to give them time to get to a safe location.
- Train all miners to recognize the hazard of mobile equipment traveling nearby and never assume the equipment operator sees them.
- Ensure that all workplaces are kept clean and orderly.